

REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of Applicants amendments and remarks herein.

With respect to the restriction requirements set forth on page 2 of the Office Action, Applicants confirm their election of claims 1-12, structures 1-1 and 1-2.

In the second paragraph on page 4 of the Office Action, claims 1-3 are objected to as being in improper markush grouping. The claims had been amended to be directed to the elected invention. Accordingly, Applicants submit that this objection has been obviated.

In paragraph 4 of the Office Action, claim 1 is rejected under the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112 as being indefinite with respect to various hetero possibilities. This pertains to the R possibilities. In response, the definition of R has now been limited to hydrogen or alkyl, therefore obviating this second paragraph rejection.

In paragraph 5 of the Office Action, claims 1-12 are rejected under the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112 as lacking enablement for preparation and use of the compounds of the scope of claim 1. The Examiner refers to definitions for A', B, D, -L-X, R1, R6, R7 and R. The Examiner submits that only a limited number of compounds have been prepared and tested.

In response to the 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, rejection, the claims had been amended to be directed to the scope of the support in the application as filed provided by the compounds specifically exemplified in the application. In this regard, as suggested by the Examiner, A' is limited to one of the carbon possibilities, B and D are nitrogen and -LX is limited to the specific groupings in accordance with the elected invention. In addition, R₆ and R₇ are now independently hydrogen or alkyl, and R is hydrogen or alkyl.

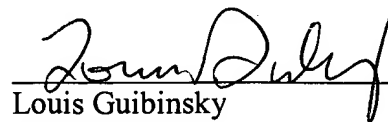
In view of the above, Applicants submit that the claims have been amended as suggested by the Examiner to be in accordance with the enabling disclosure, except that with respect to the definitions of R and R₆ and R₇, instead of "methyl", the substituent designation --alkyl-- has been employed. Applicants respectfully submit that it is reasonable to extrapolate from methyl to alkyl.

It is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance. If any minor points remain prior to notice of allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the below listed phone number.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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